
Village of New Madison

Council Meeting March 21, 2022 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Schlechty. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present for the meeting were Jim Lawrence, Gail Farmer, Chad Begoon, Tami Bruner, Lexie Cook and Solicitor Michael Rieman, Chris Homan Absent: Karl King

Visitors: Michael Waymire, Emerson Behee, Brice Schmitmeyer – Access Engineering, Mike Bowers – Darke County Economic

Bruner nominated Farmer as President of Council for 2022; second by Lawrence.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Begoon, Bruner

Abstain – Farmer

Emerson Behee asked for the residents of the Bloom building about parking and snow removal along SR 121 and SR 726.

Mike with Darke County Economic Development asked for 2022 MVRPC registrations for council members. Reported county commissioners are still working on rural internet issues.

Farmer motioned to accept the minutes for the February 14th meeting; second by Lawrence.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner

Motion passed

Lawrence motioned to accept the cash summary by fund, appropriations payment register, revenue receipt register and February 2022 bank reconciliation; second by Bruner.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner

Motion passed

Mayor's Report:

Parks & Recreation: Lexie Cook will be working with summer rec on scheduling, etc. for Munchel Park. Port a jons have been placed at the parks for the season.

Safety & Security:

Sewage, Sanitation & Water: Pump is offline at water plant; getting quotes to replace. Tap-in fees haven't been increased in 5 years and Homan is recommending a \$500.00 utilization fee increase for each tap-in.

Streets & Infrastructures:

Growth, Development, Zoning & Annexation:

Finance, Audit & Economic Development:

Personnel:

Cemetery:

Fire Department:

Rescue Squad:

Fiscal Officer Report: NexBillPay training March 23rd. Anderson application received from County Auditor for CAUV. Lawrence motioned to approve CAUV application for Anderson; second by Bruner.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner

Unfinished Business: Brice Schmitmeyer with Access Engineering updated council on the Wayne Lakes Wastewater Project. Wayne Lakes council passed resolution approving contract with New Madison on March 14th. Approximately 65,000 gallons of waste per day from Wayne Lakes. \$600,000.00 connection fee to New Madison. \$5.22 per 1,000 gallons sent to New Madison. After first year re-evaluation of expenses.

Schmitmeyer updated council on the Washington Street Project. CDBG grant \$100,000.00; OPWC \$168,000.00 grant and \$168,000.00 OPWC loan; \$189,000.00 village funds (\$126,000.00 American Rescue Funds for water line replacement). Included in this project will be the drive and culvert to the new tower.

Bloom Building is zoned as central business district; per zoning no tenants on first floor. Owners were notified and haven't heard from them regarding this issue.

Employee handbook still needs updates. Personnel committee will address and possibly have an agency re-write.

New Business: Bruner motioned to suspend the rules and read by title 2nd and 3rd time Resolution 22-02 for the renewal of a previously voted 2.40 mill tax levy for current expenses and declaring an emergency; second by Lawrence.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner

Motion passed

Begoon motioned to declare Resolution 22-02 an emergency; second by Lawrence.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner

Motion passed

Lawrence motioned to adopt Resolution 22-02; second by Cook.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner

Motion passed

Begoon motioned to suspend the rules and read by title 2nd and 3rd time Ordinance 22-01 authorizing the creation of a cemetery fund and declaring an emergency; second by Bruner.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner

Motion passed

Begoon motioned to declare Ordinance 22-01 an emergency; second by Bruner.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner

Motion passed

Cook motion to adopt Ordinance 22-01; second by Begoon.
Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Lawrence motioned to suspend and read by title 2nd and 3rd time Resolution 22-03 increasing appropriations with the Darke County Auditor; second by Bruner.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Lawrence motioned to adopt Resolution 22-03; second by Cook.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Bruner motioned to suspend the rules and read by title 2nd and 3rd time Resolution 22-04 adopting the Wayne Lakes-New Madison sanitary sewer agreement and declaring an emergency; second by Begoon.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Begoon motioned to declare Resolution 22-04 an emergency; second by Cook.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Farmer motioned to adopt Resolution 22-04; second by Lawrence.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Farmer motioned to suspend the rules and read by title 2nd and 3rd time Resolution 2022-01 authorizing an application to Darke County for the CDBG Community Development Allocation Program for the funding of the Village of New Madison Washington Street Improvement Project and declaring an emergency; second by Begoon.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Lawrence motioned to declare Resolution 2022-01 an emergency; second by Bruner.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Begoon motioned to adopt Resolution 2022-01; second by Bruner.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Farmer motioned to enter executive session at 6:58 p.m. to discuss the sale and purchase of property; second by Begoon.

Yea – Lawrence, Cook, Farmer, Begoon, Bruner Motion passed

Bruner motioned to end executive session at 7:22 p.m.; second by Farmer.

Lawrence motioned to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.; second by Begoon. Meeting adjourned

Next meeting is Monday, April 18th at 6:00 p.m.